

Remarks:

Amendments:

Support for the amendments to the claims can be found in the application as originally filed. No new matter is added.

Fees:

Any necessary claim or other fees are to be charged to and any refunds credited to deposit account 260166.

Specification:

At this time Applicants are not aware of any errors in the specification.

Claim Objections and Claim Objection:

Applicants have amended the claims to solely claim the compound of Example 3 by cancelling claims 1-3, 5-6 and 8-14 and 20.

Further, Applicants have amended claim 4 to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter and to add a period at the end of the claim.

Applicants have amended the withdrawn process claims 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 to render them solely dependent on claim 4.

In view of the amendments to the claims submitted herein, Applicants respectfully suggest that the claim objections are moot or overcome and requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all such objections and rejections.

Double patenting rejections:

Published Patent Application US2006/0173014 is Application Number 10/539,546 that is pending. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection for non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting in this case and suggest that double-patenting issues, if any, may be dealt with in co-pending application 10/539,546.

Request for Rejoinder:

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are now in condition for allowance and request that process (method) claims 15, 16, 17, 18 & 19 be rejoined with the product (compound) claims.

Reservation of Rights:

Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications directed to subject matter found in the application as originally filed that is not encompassed by the claims of this application.

Request for Interview:

In the event the Examiner requires any further amendment to the claims or has any other concerns, Applicants respectfully request a telephone interview to resolve such issues.

Conclusion:

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance and solicit prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due.

Respectfully submitted,

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